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For: Method for mounting a tire on a rim )

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## RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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In response to the Notice of Non-compliant Amendment mailed September 21, 2004, please enter the following replacement section "Amendments to the claims." The replacement section now conforms to the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.121. The status identifiers of Claims 1 and 5 have been changed to "Currently amended" following the Examiner's instructions. It is not believed that any new matter has been introduced.

This reply is within the one month time period, therefore no fees are due.